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SUBJ: KAMPALA: ZANZIBAR DOES ITS OWN THING

REF: ZANZIBAR 0139 (NOTAL)

1. REFTTEL, BASED ON JULY 19 CONVERSATION WITH DFA PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY, ACCURATELY FORECASTED TANGOV BOYCOTT OF OAU SUMMIT. CONVERSATIONS SINCE CONSUL'S RETURN HAVE ADDED AT LEAST TWO NOTEWORTHY ITEMS ON SAME GENERAL SUBJECT.

2. FIRST IS THAT DECISION TO BOYCOTT WAS NYERERE'S AND THAT IT TAKEN WITH LITTLE OR NO CONSULTATION EITHER WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF CABINET OR WITH GOZ, INCLUDING FIRST VP. WHATEVER THE SITUATION MAY HAVE BEEN WITHIN TANGOV, IT IS TAKEN FOR GRANTED HERE THAT NYERERE'S MOVE DID NOT SIT AT ALL WELL WITH JUMBE AND THAT HE ACCORDINGLY DECIDED (OR PROCEEDED WITH PLANALREADY FORMULATED) TO SEND HIS OWN DELEGATION. FACT THAT GOZ DELEGATION WENT TO KAMPALA, IGNORED IN TANZANIA MAINLAND PRESS, WAS PICKED UP BY JULY 22 NAIROBI DAILY NATION. ARTICLE REPORTED THAT ZANZIBAR DELEGATION, HEADED BY MINISTER OF STATE MOYO AND INCLUDING TWO OTHER REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL MEMBERS AND A REPRESENTATIVE OF FIRST VP'S OFFICE, DELIVERED A "SPECIAL MESSAGE" TO PRESIDENT KENYATTA AND LATER PROCEEDED TO KAMPALA. THE NATION DID NOT SPECULATE ON THE CONTENTS

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OF MESSAGE TO MZEE NOR ON PURPOSE OF KAMPALA MISSION.

3. CONSUL HAS ALSO HEARD FROM WELL-INFORMED SOURCE HERE THAT MOYO, WHILE ON MISSION, HAS BEEN TAKEN ON TOUR OF SOUTHERN UGANDA BY GOU OFFICIALS, OSTENSIBLE PURPOSE OF WHICH WAS TO DEMONSTRATE THAT UGANDA HAD NO AGGRESSIVE INTENTIONS IN BORDER AREA AND THAT TANGOV HAD BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR TENSION IN AREA.

4. COMMENT: WHATEVER INTERPRETATION IS PUT ON THESE EVENTS, THEY WITHOUT QUESTION REFLECT CONTINUED AND PERHAPS CURRENTLY INCREASED INCLINATION OF ZANZIBAR TO RUN ITS OWN ESSENTIALLY INDEPENDENT FOREIGN POLICY SHOW WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES SUIT. PUBLICITY ABOUT GOZ DELEGATION TO KAMPALA, COINCIDING CLOSELY WITH TANGOV BOYCOTT DECISION, CANNOT ENHANCE ZANZIBAR-MAINLAND RELATIONS. WE WOULD BE VERY HESITANT, HOWEVER, TO READ INTO THIS ANY DEFINITIVE NYERERE-JUMBE SPLIT.
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